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SUBJECT: FRG/BRAZIL NUCLEAR ACCORD:PRESS REPORT ON MESSAGE FROM
SECRETARY

REF: A. BRASILIA 5275 B. STATE 146237

1. DEPT WILL HAVE SEEN REFTEL (A) ON PRESS REPORTS THAT
SILVEIRA, WHILE EN ROUTE TO BONN, DISCUSSED WITH BRAZILIAN
JOURNALISTS A COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY. IN THE
CIRCUMSTANCES, THE REFERENCE QUITE CLEARLY WAS TO THE
SECRETARY'S PERSONAL MESSAGE THAT WAS CONTAINED IN REFTEL
(B).

2. THE DEPT WILL NOTE THAT, APART FROM THE QUESTION
OF THE PROPRIETY OF DISCUSSING A PRIVILEGED MESSAGE OF
THIS KIND, THE VERSION GIVEN BY SILVEIRA, IF HE WAS QUOTED
CORRECTLY, IS A DISTORTION OF THE CONTENTS OF THE SECRETARY'S
MESSAGE.

3. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED PRESS INQUIRIES ABOUT THE
SECRETARY'S MESSAGE, BASED ON SILVEIRA'S REFERENCES.
THE EMBASSY HAS RESPONDED THAT WE NEVER DISCUSS PRIVATE
COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND FOREIGN MINISTERS.
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